## In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## **OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS**

No. 20-2069V UNPUBLISHED

LORI ROULETTE.

Petitioner,

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Respondent.

Chief Special Master Corcoran

Filed: May 9, 2022

Special Processing Unit (SPU); Ruling on Entitlement; Concession; Table Injury; Influenza (Flu); Shoulder Injury Related to Vaccine Administration (SIRVA).

Jeffrey S. Pop, Jeffrey S. Pop & Associates, Beverly Hills, CA, for Petitioner.

Terrence Kevin Mangan, Jr., U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for Respondent.

## RULING ON ENTITLEMENT<sup>1</sup>

On December 30, 2020, Lori Roulette filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*<sup>2</sup> (the "Vaccine Act"). Petitioner alleged that she suffered a shoulder injury related to vaccine administration ("SIRVA") as a result of the influenza ("flu") vaccine administered on October 23, 2019. Petition at 1. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On May 6, 2022, Respondent filed a combined Rule 4(c) Report and Proffer in which he concedes that Petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case. Rule 4(c) Report and Proffer. Specifically, Petitioner had no apparent history of pain, inflammation,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Because this unpublished opinion contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, I am required to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services). **This means the opinion will be available to anyone with access to the internet.** In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), Petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, I agree that the identified material fits within this definition, I will redact such material from public access.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all section references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2012).

or dysfunction of the affected shoulder prior to intramuscular vaccine administration that would explain the alleged signs, symptoms, examination findings, and/or diagnostic studies occurring after vaccine administration; she more likely than not suffered the onset of pain within 48 hours of vaccine administration; her pain and reduced range of motion were limited to the shoulder in which the intramuscular vaccine was administered; and there is no other condition or abnormality present that would explain Petitioner's symptoms. *Id.* at 4. Respondent further agrees that Petitioner has satisfied the Act's other statutory and jurisdictional requirements. *Id.* at 4-5.

In view of Respondent's position and the evidence of record, I find that Petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Brian H. Corcoran Brian H. Corcoran Chief Special Master